

## Message Text

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FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY BOGOTA IMMEDIATE  
AMEMBASSY PANAMA IMMEDIATE  
AMEMBASSY CARACAS IMMEDIATE  
AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE IMMEDIATE  
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EXDIS DISTRIBUTE AS NODIS

E.O. 11652:GDS

TAGS:PINT, PEPR, PORG, CS, CO, VE

SUBJECT: CANAL TREATY

1. WE HAVE JUST LEARNED THAT TORRIJOS IS PREPARED ACCEPT LEADERSHIP RESERVATION AS DIGNIFIED SOLUTION TO DIFFICULT PROBLEM. FEW WORDS MAY BE CHANGED.
2. WE APPRECIATE YOUR ASSISTANCE AND THAT OF YOUR CHIEFS OF STATE. GIVEN THIS DEVELOPMENT, WE WOULD LIKE TO MINIMIZE ADDITIONAL EFFORT WHICH MIGHT ONLY UPSET DELICATE AGREEMENT.
3. NATURALLY GOP POSITION IS CONFIDENTIAL AND SENSITIVE AND USE ABOVE INFORMATION SHOULD BE ONLY IN WAYS AVOIDING CONFIDENTIAL

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IT BECOMING PUBLIC BEFORE GOP HAS OPPORTUNITY PREPARE DOMESTIC SITUATION.

4. PROPOSED TEXT WILL BE PRESENTED TO SOME KEY MEMBERS SENATE ONLY ON MONDAY.

5. FOR BOGOTA: IF VISIT SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO PANAMA CAN

BE AVOIDED WE WOULD MUCH LIKE TO DO SO. ALSO WE PREFER  
AVOID ANY MOVE TO REFER TO OAS IF POSSIBLE. EMBASSY PANAMA  
MAY BE ABLE TO PLAY ROLE IN KEEPING VISIT IN PERSPECTIVE  
IF TRIP IS NOT CANCELED. CHRISTOPHER

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